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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE UNDER 37 CFR §§1.821-825**

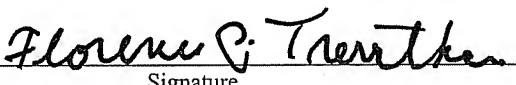
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In response to the Office communication mailed July 23, 2008, please amend the application as follows. A three-month Petition for Extension of Time is enclosed, along with the relevant fee.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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